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Application of: Artavanis-Tsakonas et al.

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For: THERAPEUTIC AND  
DIAGNOSTIC METHODS AND  
COMPOSITIONS BASED ON  
NOTCH PROTEINS AND  
NUCLEIC ACIDS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 27, 1997, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, please consider the following remarks below. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition to Extend Time for a period of four (4) months from April 27, 1997 to August 27, 1997, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following inventions:

I. Claims 90, 92, 98-99, 101-106 and 109-119, drawn to a method of manipulating cell differentiation by promoting Notch function, classified in Class 424, subclass 130.1+.

II. Claims 90, 91, 93-97, 100, 107, 108 and 120-123, drawn to a method of manipulating cell differentiation by antagonizing Notch function, classified in Class 424, subclass 130.1+.